

REMARKS

Original Claims 9-13, 16, 21, 24-29 and 32 have been amended. Claims 33 and 34 are new. A "Related Applications" paragraph has been added. No new matter has been added.

Information Disclosure Statement

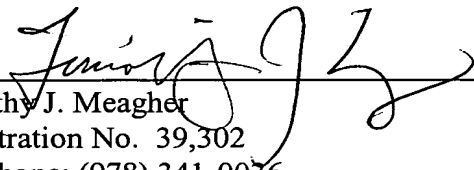
An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently herewith to cite references from the PCT Search report and references noted in the Specification. Entry of the IDS is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Entry of the Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036.

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